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## REDS IN PEIPING'S SUBURBS

### Take Summer Palace & Two Universities

#### ONE REPORT CLAIMS GEN FU TSO-YI CAPTURED

Peiping, Dec. 16.—Fighting swirled towards the ancient walls of Peiping today. Several points in the Northwestern suburbs fell to the Communists. Those included the Summer Palace and Yenching and Tsinghua Universities.

From there, the Reds closed in on Haitien village, three and a half miles from the Northwestern corner of the city. Haitien probably will be taken by nightfall.

Red soldiers were reported within several thousand yards of Peiping's Northwestern gate. Explosions of mortar and artillery shells could be clearly heard in Peiping.

Meanwhile, the Nationalists abandoned Feingtai on the Peiping-Tientsin railroad three and a half miles from the Southwestern corner of the city, where big freight yards are situated. Government forces also quit Mentoukou, coal mining town about 20 miles West of Peiping. It was the only remaining source for fuel for Peiping.

Officials and senior employees of the city's power plant at Shichengshan, six miles West of Peiping, were evacuated into the city. Workmen remained.

Although they were within gunfire range, the Reds so far had not discharged a single shell at Peiping itself—rich treasure trove of Chinese culture and of the days of the Emperor.—Associated Press.

#### FU REPORT DENIED

Nanking, Dec. 15.—A message to the Commercial Bank here reported that the Communist forces entered Peiping at 5:30 p.m. today.

The Peking messengers also said that the Communists captured General Fu Tso-yi, Nationalist Commander in North China.

A Government spokesman, Teng Weng-yi denied that the Communist troops entered Peiping. He also denied General Fu Tso-yi was captured.

The Nanking Telegraph Office is still maintaining radio contact with its branch in Peiping.

Dr Hu Shih, President of the National University at Peiping arrived in Nanking aboard a special Chinese Air Force plane and reported that the Communist forces had entered the suburbs. He said, however, that they were not yet in sufficient strength to attempt a complete capture of the city. He said that General Fu was still in Peiping.

He added that the situation was "serious" but somewhat less serious than reports here indicated.

#### HOLDING AIRFIELDS

Dr Hu Shih reported that the Nationalist troops, at the time he left today, still held two airfields at Peiping, one South and one West of the city. He said that the Western airfield was evacuated because it was under Communist gunfire, but the field to the South was still

operating and his plane took off from there.

The encircled city is being defended by about 30,000 Nationalist troops under General Fu Tso-yi. The Communist forces around the city were estimated at least 80,000.

Dr Hollington K. Tong, Government Director of Information denied reports that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek has been advised by his lieutenants to withdraw from the Government, thus paving the way for a possible coalition Government in which the Communists might join.

He said that the reports were entirely baseless.

#### MARINES SAIL

United States Marines sailed for Shanghai today and the Americans were again advised to leave China as the Communists stepped up their offensives on the Peking, Haichow and Nanking fronts.

John M. Cabot, United States Consul General in Shanghai, and Rear Admiral G. C. Bradford in charge of evacuations, said in a joint announcement that 695 Marines of the Ninth Regiment sailed from Tsingtao on the Navy transport, Bayfield. The Marines were scheduled to arrive in Shanghai at 1 p.m. tomorrow.

Mr Cabot emphasised that their only duties would be to protect American lives and property in case of emergency.

The Government, meanwhile, indicated that the counter-offensive on the Haichow front some 150 miles north of Nanking has bogged down. Fierce fighting was reported along the Grand Canal within 100 miles northeast of Nanking.—United Press.

#### CLOSE GATES ORDER

Nanking, Dec. 15.—A reliable source said today that General Fu Tso-yi, North China Nationalist commander, has ordered all

peking gates to be closed and no one is allowed to leave or enter the city in order to prevent the infiltration of Communists plainclothesmen.

The source said that business inside the city has come to a standstill and prices of commodities, except vegetables, are dropping. He said that government armoured cars and tanks are guarding the west gate, which appeared to be the objective of the main Communist attack.

The popular assemblies of seven North China provinces and Peiping and Tientsin were President Chiang Kai-shek, asking the punishment of the Air Force Second Area commander, General Hu Tien, for

evacuating planes from Peiping without orders. They urged that the planes return to support the Peiping defenders.—United Press.

PEOPLES STUNNED

Shanghai, Dec. 15.—The people of Peiping were absolutely stunned by the rapid advance of the Communists and were apparently indifferent to the pledge of the Nationalist High Command to defend the ancient capital. Mr William Lindgren, a United States businessman who arrived here tonight from Peiping, said:

"We are expecting a record Christmas rush and this week alone the amount of air mails for Hongkong has gone up by 150 percent from the normal average of 600 kilos to 1,500 kilos."

The question of air mail deliveries to Hongkong was recently raised in the House of Commons when Air Commodore Harvey asked the Postmaster General if he was aware that air mails for Hongkong took anything from 10 to 14 days to be delivered.

The Postmaster General replied that he was in constant touch with the Minister of Civil Aviation on the possibilities of improving and accelerating air mail services generally.

## CHRISTMAS MAILS FOR HONGKONG

#### Special Effort Being Made By BOAC

(Our Own Correspondent)

London, Dec. 15.—Ensuring that Christmas letters and parcels from Britain for Hongkong are delivered in time, BOAC are offloading commercial cargoes where necessary and providing more space for air mails.

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#### ONLY FEIGNED BATTLE

He quoted Colonel Williams, the American Naval Attaché at Peiping, as saying: "Something is not on the up and up."

Nationalist troops, supplies and artillery were pouring into the city through the south gate. The main street of Peiping was one long line of cabs. The Communists had already captured the Summer Palace, making a feeble attempt to

close it.

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LAND PLANES IN 1949?

One such possibility, not officially announced, is that in the New Year land planes will be used to serve Hongkong direct from Britain. Certainly the Colonial Office is considering proposals for improving Hongkong's aerodrome.

Telephone lines with the outside world had been cut. Shops were still open nevertheless and the populace was calm though greatly excited.

Two hundred Americans were remaining in the city together with a few hundred other foreigners.—Reuters.

#### TIENTSIN PREPARES

Tientsin, Dec. 15.—Military trains could only proceed up to Peiping, just before Tangku Harbour, today, while Chinese reports claimed that every effort was being made to hold the Tientsin-Tangku line and that Tientsin's outer defences were being strengthened by the Nationalist troops evacuated from adjacent points.

Reports were also current but impossible to confirm that the Tientsin-Tangku highway had been cut in the vicinity of the harbour area.

The Tangku situation was described as tense, following the extensive military activity with indications that the Nationalists were concentrating at Hsinho immediately before Tangku, while fighting unspecified proportions was proceeding around Peiping.

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## ANOTHER PLANE TRAGEDY

Bogota, Dec. 15.—Thirty persons, including two Americans, were killed in the crash of an Alina Airlines plane five minutes after it took off for Barranquilla today.

The wreckage was first sighted from the air on the slopes of Sabalois Hill, 12 miles from the starting point. Land rescue parties reached the scene shortly before nightfall and reported that all 28 passengers and four crewmen had been killed.—United Press.

## Outside The Old Wall



## Hiss Indicted For Perjury

New York, Dec. 15.—Alger Hiss was indicted for perjury today by a Federal grand jury which charged that he delivered secret State Department papers to Whittaker Chambers for transmission to Russia.

Just six hours before its 18-month probe of pre-war Communist espionage was ended by law, the Grand Jury said Hiss, former policy-making official of the State Department, had committed perjury on two counts. The Grand Jury could not indict Hiss for espionage because of three-year statute limitations.

The indictment said Hiss lied when he testified that he did not deliver Government documents to Chambers and when he said he had not seen Chambers after January 1, 1937.

Mr John McGhee, announcing the indictment, said: "We can prove that he (Hiss) lied when he said he did not give the papers to Chambers. What we have to prove is that he was lying, not that he turned over the secret documents."

The maximum penalty for each of the two counts of perjury is five years in jail and a \$5,000 fine.

In Washington, the House Committee on Un-American Activities said the indictment "closes that phase of our investigation" into Communist espionage.—United Press.

## PRINCE CHARLES CHRISTENED

London, Dec. 15.—Surrounded by members of the Royal Family, Prince Charles of Edinburgh, the month-old son of Princess Elizabeth and second in line to the Throne, was christened by the Archbishop of Canterbury at Buckingham Palace today.

The baby behaved beautifully throughout the service. Sister Ellen Rowe, who nursed Princess Elizabeth in her confinement, held the infant Prince during the service but handed him to Princess Margaret, one of his sponsors. Just before the Archbishop performed the christening ceremony,

Before handing the Prince to the Archbishop, Princess Margaret stood by the golden silver-gilt font on its plinth of crimson velvet, adorned with white flowers, "to speak the names"—Charles Philip Arthur George.

Alexander Ramsey and Lady Patria Ramsey.

Rich-red damask curtains were drawn across the windows of the room, and the lights flickered from two magnificent chandeliers, reflecting on the white and gold ceiling.

White flowers filled the tall stands. Around the font were narcissi, Christmas roses, freesias, carnations, white heather and myrtle.

The christening robes made at the order of Queen Victoria were given by her to Queen Mary who lent them to the Archbishop in all Berlin.

It was called for the breaking up of reactionary households," making clear that he included in that the legal government of Western Berlin.

The British commandant, Major-General Edwin Herbert, said: "Any one who thinks this cold war is a pushover should think again. There are always new methods, new weapons being brought into play, by both sides... The Soviet tactics, which were based partly on long hard, unfriendly winter, may have to be considerably revised."

German workers, meanwhile, are deserting the Russian sector of Berlin by the hundreds, and some agencies of the Communist rump regime have been nearly paralysed as a result. In the Soviet telegraph offices alone, 700 men have left their jobs to go to Western Berlin. It was asserted.—United Press.

#### A PERFECT SUBJECT

A few minutes later came an omnibus packed with choir boys already clad in their brilliant red tunics trimmed with gold brocade. The Duchess of Gloucester arrived with her younger son, Prince (Continued on Page 5)

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## WOMANSENSE

### Christmas Gifts From Your Kitchen

By ALICE DENHOFF

In making up the holiday gift list, there are invariably people to whom one desires to give a small, intimate, yet personal gift, rather than an expensive or even inexpensive something from a store. That's where a gift from your very own kitchen, made by your own fair hands, is very much of the essence.

Such a gift might well be a fat little jar of delicious, homemade jam, beautifully wrapped and beribboned. For a quickly prepared but over-so-good marmalade jam, remove seeds and webby membranes from 2 c. tangerine sections. Then chop the fruit. Combine with 2 tbsp. each chopped tangerine and grapefruit peel, also chopped, and with ½ c. grapefruit juice, ½ c. sugar and ½ c. light corn syrup. Place in saucepan over low heat and bring to a boil, cooking rapidly for 10 min. Remove from heat; pour into jelly glasses or in a dish to cool. Makes about 2 c. jam. To "shop" citrus peel and pulp, use your kitchen scissors.

Not home-made but assembled by the giver is a good spice shelf. For the male or female gourmet, especially for curry addicts, how about assembling a curry set-up: curry powder, long grain rice, chutney, peanuts, preserved ginger? A beautiful salad bowl and with it a collection of salad-spices and herbs: paprika, mustard seed, celery seed, pepper, garlic, salt, is a good choice.

#### Another Home-made Gift

Not really a kitchen item, but made from items in your kitchen; that's the story of the next small gift. Mix together an ounce of ground cloves, powdered nutmeg, and ground cinnamon. Sew into pretty little bags, and there you have sachet with a delicious odour, one that moths will stay away from.

And how about making up a batch of pomanders for those small but personalized gifts? Pomanders, clove-stuck oranges, were used in Colonial times to scent drawers and closets and to do battle with the peaty moth. Today they are very popular again.

#### After Dark



By ALICE ALDEN

WHEN IT IS advisable to travel light—and that is nearly always these days—clothes must be chosen with great care. An ideal travelling companion is the essentially simple but very smart dinner dress of the informal type, which, when teamed with its own jacket becomes an effective afternoon costume. Paul Barnes comes up with a real beauty of soft gray woolen with Venise lace that sets off the rounded neckline and graciously accents the graceful skirt. The waist length jacket is snugly fastened with self-covered ball buttons.

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### The £10 Gap: Women turn to 'Utility'

By PATRICIA LENNARD

WOMEN are finding too few dresses in the shops to bridge the gap between top-price utility at £10 odd and top controlled price at nearly £18. They are therefore buying more utility clothes because the utility dress provides its own safeguard of quality: it must conform to certain standards, whereas there is no such specification for non-

utility. The dress sketched is typical of the better quality utility wool dresses on sale for winter. Invariably the prototype utility-wool dress

To hang in a closet, crochet a loose circular cradle, or simply tie the pomander with a piece of ribbon, ending in a loop. Pomanders will keep their fragrance for many years and make pretty gifts.

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#### Know Your Manicure Manners

is still the classic shirtwaister; the New Look has made it rounder and longer, for these are the only concessions women can make to fashion.

Soft and pale turquoise blue wool is due for Dalstal for the up-to-date classic shirtwaister (above).

#### A Child's First Lessons

By GARRY CLEVELAND  
MYERS, Ph.D.

LONG before your school child has regular homework assignments, you may desire to help him with his reading, memory work or spelling. If you can do so without making it a burden to him, you and he might both find it a happy and profitable experience. It is fortunate if he asked you to hear him read for his pleasure, or to show you how he can count or spell. When he does so, you should express great delight over his achievement. When he brings home a paper of written work that has a perfect or high grade on it, display it on the wall.

2—File and shape the nails, using the coarse side of an emery board. File in one direction only, never back and forth. Never let the edge of the emeryboard touch the cuticle. Use the fine side of the emeryboard to level the edges of the nails.

3—Buff the nails briskly so that they will provide a smoother base for liquid polish. This will also stimulate circulation. Scrub in warm, soapy water.

4—Dry thoroughly, remove cuticle, using a cotton-tipped orange stick dipped in oily cuticle remover. Work the stick gently around the edges of the nails to soften and loosen the cuticle which overlies the nail. Use it also to remove stubborn bits of dirt embedded under the nail tips.

5—Go over the nails again with oil polish remover to prepare the surfaces for the polish.

6—Apply a coat of polish foundation, then a single coat of polish. First, drain the brush on inside of neck of bottle so that there will not be too much on the brush. Outline the half-moons, then, with light, even strokes, paint the polish out to the tips of the nails. Use an orangewood stick to remove any polish that gets on the cuticle. Allow polish to dry thoroughly. Do not try to hasten drying by fanning or holding under a light. This may cause the polish to bubble or dry unevenly.

7—Finish by applying cuticle oil or brittle-nail cream, massaging it gently around bases and sides of nails. Be sure to use oil or cream every night to keep the cuticle properly conditioned. This daily use will make the weekly manicure much simpler task.

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9—Use Of Green In Decorating

By ELEANOR ROSS

THE use of green for many rooms, especially for the bedroom, has been confirmed in the model rooms that break out at this time of year. Green, restful yet mildly stimulating, cheerful and smart, should be considered when doing over a bedroom.

Homemakers will find unlimited possibilities for the use of some shade of green as the dominant colour in headboards, drapery and upholstery fabrics. Because green combines yellow and blue, it has the bright sunny qualities of yellow and the restful qualities of blue. In a dark room, a bright sunny green adds gaiety and colour, and a feeling of light, while a cool, darker shade of green is effective in an over-bright room.

10—Use Of Green

Nature's lavish use of green combined with the blue of the water and sky, the colours of the earth and the rainbow hues of flowers, demonstrates vividly the possibilities of mixing green with other colors which can be equally well applied to work out desired room effects.

Thus a pale green with pastel colours is appropriate for a bedroom of the dainty, feminine type. Dark bottle green with shades of blue or grey is a good choice for a masculine bed-

room-study, while clear shades of green with red accents is a mighty cheery combination for a child's bedroom.

A display of headboards shows

upholstery in every shade of green for pale chintze to deep forest green, and in every type of material from simulated leather to luxurious quilted velvet.

11—Lime Green Satin

There was a handsome headboard upholstered in lime green satin and another design was done in a clear green velvet with button tufting, both nice for a definitely elegant type of room. Most down to earth for most of us was a headboard done in white and green striped glazed chinon.

12—White Accents

White accents are delightful in a green bedroom, specially for the lighter tones, and an especially nice choice for summer decor. Keep away from the too-pale greens unless they are well spiced with strong colour accents. As far as the actual job, by choosing green to set the colour theme of the room, then planning a headboard to play up the particular decorative effect desired, the basic planning of a bedroom is done as the rest of the furnishings will be naturally suggested.

### Consider Cut And Colour When You Shop For A New Dress



Gloria Henry, movie star, always looks chic because she chooses her clothes with an eye to colour and line.

By HELEN FOLLETTE

EVERY clever dress designer knows that temperament as well as cut and colour must be considered when a woman shops for clothes. The woman who sees herself as a certain type, requiring certain kinds of attire, has already eliminated many of her difficulties. That frock is a success only if she feels at ease in it and regards it with affection.

There are women who by temperament require dashing colours and extreme styles. They know how to carry their duds with verve and flair. Other women who might, as far as physical characteristics go, wear the same models, would be utterly miserable in them because they are not temperamentally suited to extravagant designs.

To be clothes conscious is to be without point. To feel "all dressed up" is to be ill at ease. It is over-dressing that creates the trumpet. The lady of fashion knows that elegance ampleply has it all over ruffles and feathers. Then, one sees the woman rather than the dry.

### Let's Eat

BY  
IDA BAILEY ALLEN

#### Packaged, Prepared Foods

RECENTLY in speaking before an organization of young homemakers I found that one of the problems uppermost in their minds was the right use of packaged-prepared foods, such as the new bread-and-cake mixes, piecrust, canned meats, dinners-in-a-box and prepared desserts.

My answer was that they all have a place in the menu when time-saving justifies the extra expense; or when there is very little pantry storage space for a variety of ingredients.

13—Own Specialties  
"But these 'convenience' foods should not interfere with the development of a good home-cooked cuisine for the family," said the Chef. "The homemaker should learn to cook her own specialties and to increase her cooking repertoire. The foods that come in packages are a good convenience, but they would be a little tiresome if they became a steady diet."

"They remind me of ready-made dresses," I laughed. "The dresses all look alike until each owner individualizes them with her own personal touches."

14—Individual Touches  
The Chef looked bewildered. "It's the same with packaged, prepared foods," I hastened to add. "They must be individualized by interesting seasonings and additions, so they will taste exactly like the foods served by everyone else."

"Absolutely agreed," said the Chef. "That is why I add fried onions to tinned tomato soup; or a little diced mint to pea soup. I find the tinned fish very good for hors d'oeuvres, but those I also make individual. For example, I add sour cream and dill to the pickled herring. Your tinned salmon is par excellence; but even to that I add the sliced raw onions or cucumbers, and a few capers. I also find it necessary to add a special personal touch to canned meats; otherwise they are too much of the same monotonous taste. Some of them are improved by slicing and sauteing with a little onion, celery, or other vegetables.

Lunchroom meat and ham I like to cut and heat in a rich Danish sauce and serve with flaky potatoes, or ham and eggs to scallop with macaroni and cheese."

"Then there are the new packaged breads and mixes of all kinds," I added. "most of them established reputation. Quite a number of these are within the budget class and save considerable time. And these can also be personalized."

A few dates, raisins, nuts, or grated cheese added to a yeast-roll mix; ½ cup of shredded coconuts stirred into the deviled food mix; packaged dinnerbread made with black coffee instead of water. These and many other combinations can transform commercial foods into a specialties dish in a jiffy."

The Chef chuckled. "I like your French with the accent 'American,'" he commented. "And that reminds me—the specialities of La maison for our dinner will be custard cream place in a slow and ribs gently with cold water. Drain and dry on a paper towel."

15—Custard Cream With Blackberries (tie)

Make up 1 package prepared vanilla pudding according to directions, flavouring it with ¼ tsp. powdered cinnamon. Transfer to a sherbet glass and chill. Before serving heap with sugared blackberries.

16—Trick Of The Chef

To keep and prepare blackberries or raspberries before serving: first pick them over, and remove any imperfect berries or bits of stem. Do not wash. Spread on a plate covered with waxed paper and keep in the refrigerator. Just before serving place in a slow oven and ribs gently with cold water. Drain and dry on a paper towel.

# WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



**AERIAL TOPOGRAPHY**—Lockheed P2V Neptunes of the U.S. Navy flying over the barren terrain of the Fairweather Range in southeast Alaska. The planes are photomapping the Alaskan area, in co-operation with the U.S. Department of the Interior, to determine the water power possibilities of the "panhandle" area from Skagway to the south.



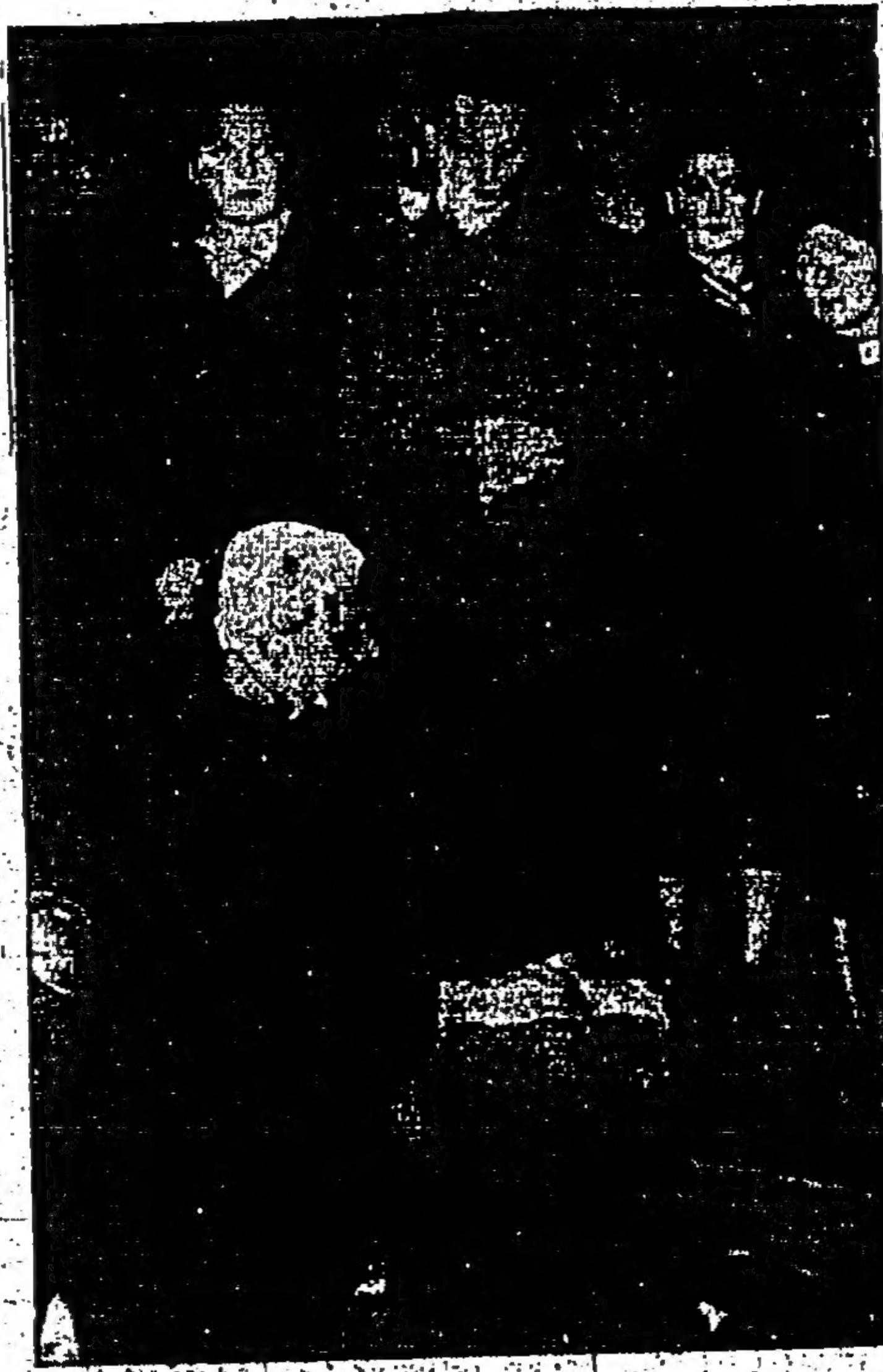
**CUTLASS CAPER**—Renowned for his dazzling leaps and obstacle jumps, which have brought him world records, skater Harris Legg sails over the bared swords of pretty pirate lassies in the Madison Square Garden. He is practising his "Pirate's Plunder" number for the New York showing of the Ice Follies.



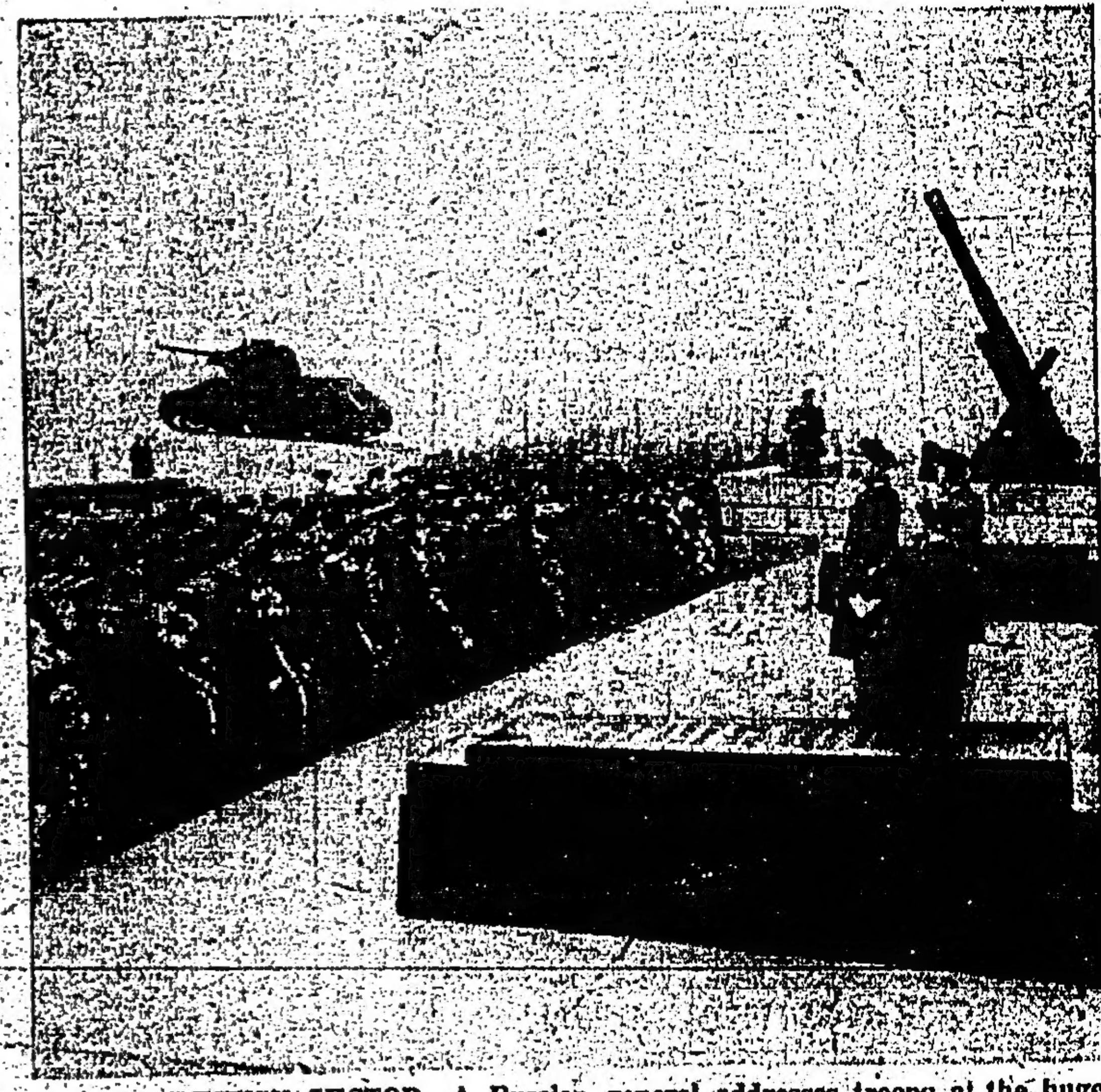
**LAZY MAN'S SAW**—Marines at Quantico, Virginia, have been testing this two-wheeled, self-propelled tractor saw with special care. If it passes all the tests, it will be used for clearing passages through wooded areas in the wake of amphibious landings. One saw can level flush-to-the-ground cuts of 40-inch trees faster than several crews of men with ordinary logging tools.



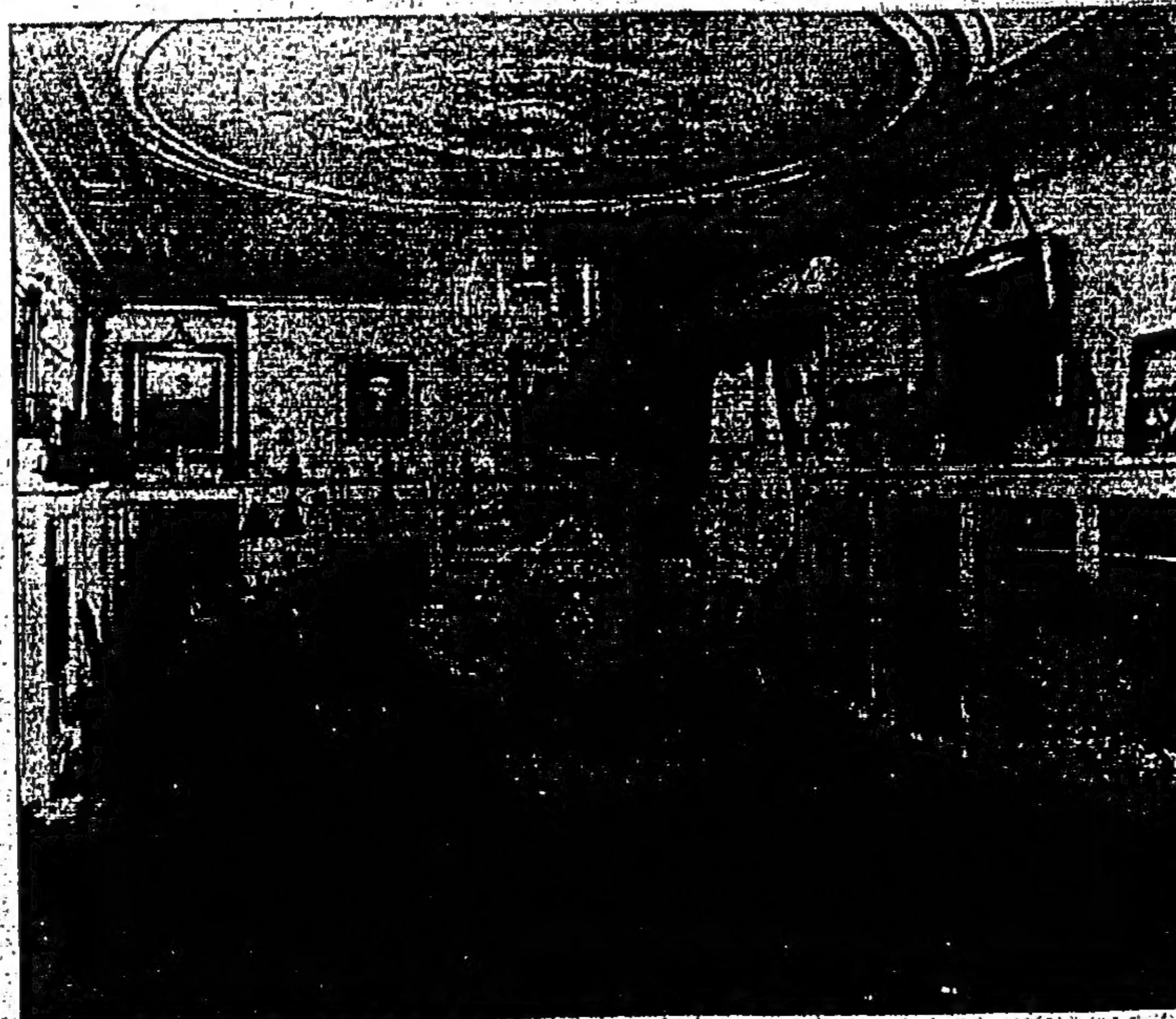
**FLAGS FOR THE MAYOR**—Twenty competitors in the 68th International Six-Day Bicycle Race, held in New York City, present their countries' flags to acting Mayor Vincent R. Impellitteri at the City Hall. The pedal pushers, many of whom are dressed in the colours of their respective nations, represent 14 countries.



**QUIETENS DOWN**—An inspired demonstrator seems a bit less enthusiastic as he sits it out on a car bumper on the Champs Elysees in Paris. Communist war veterans battled police in an Armistice Day demonstration.



**IN THE BRITISH SECTOR**—A Russian general addresses troops at the huge Soviet War Memorial located in the British sector of Berlin. Occasion was the 31st anniversary of the Russian revolution.



**WHITE HOUSE FOR A WHILE**—Here is a view of the front drawing room of Blair House, in Washington, D.C., which has become the home of President Truman and family temporarily while the White House is being repaired.

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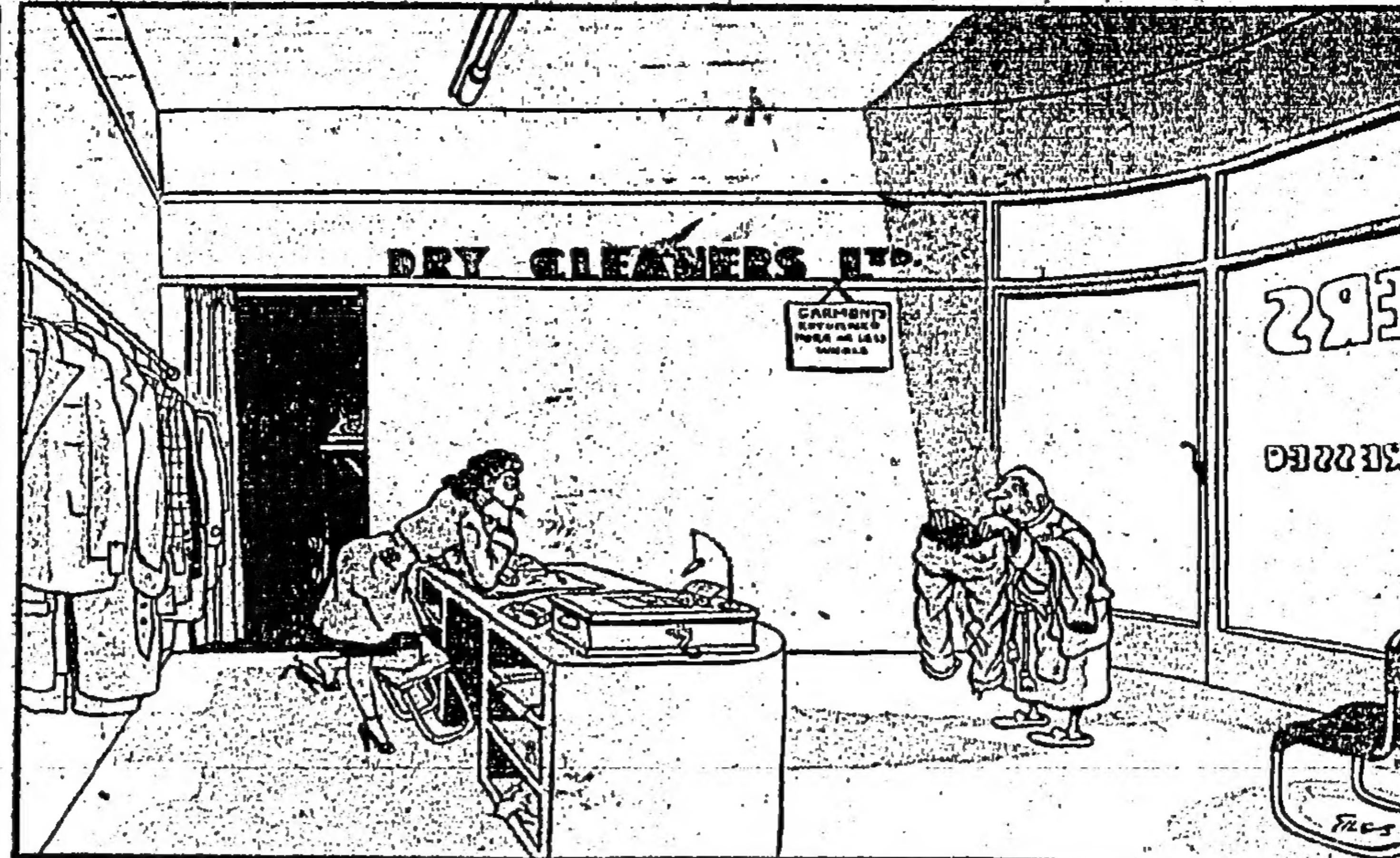
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## IS STALIN FOOLING?

By ROBERT MUSEL

BERLIN, Dec. 15.—Since Russia fooled the world by using her second-string army in the Finnish war of 1939, people have been chary of criticising Marshal Stalin's military machine.

This correspondent is no exception. For the last few days he has been walking through the Soviet sector of this partitioned city, and the men and officers he saw seem to bear no relation to the almost legendary heroes who triumphed over the German Wehrmacht.

Most newspapermen who have seen the Russians here at close range have about the same opinion. If the shabby troops in this Western outpost of Russia are the pick of Stalin's men—as they are sometimes said to be—it raises the interesting question of what sort of troops are stationed closer to Moscow where the West cannot see them. But there again, Marshal Stalin may be trying to fool the West.

The flower of his forces may have been withdrawn to the homeland, to be replaced by men and boys—mostly the latter—one sees trudging through the streets of their sector, in worn grey-blue overcoats and never looking very happy in daylight. I have yet to see one of them smile.

They ride stiffly in little motor cars or march along as though bound on urgent business, without friendly curiosity for Americans, British or French.

### NOT WELL FED

The American military intelligence suspects that the Russian troops are not as well fed or billeted as their wartime allies, and that bathing facilities certainly are more limited too. Most Americans who deal directly with the Russians say they are not such bad fellows when you get to know them, and they have real respect for some of the Soviet officers.

Of the Russian rank and file, one American officer said: "They're not so much individually, but there's so damn many of them."

Occasionally, Russians wander into the Anglo-American sectors in search of frivolity, and sometimes American and British military police have to spank them when the celebrating gals too violent and send them back home.

American officers, incidentally, say reports of Russian raping of German girls are highly exaggerated, but they probably have the edge on the rest of the occupying troops when it comes to hurrying courtship along.

### TOP SECRET

The nondescript troops Stalin has seen fit to station in this showcase for the West are not the only signs that might hark back to 1939. At Kotsen airfield, most Russian transport is the horse and wagon, and Americans who have driven through long Russian-occupied stretches have been equally mystified at the apparent lack of trucks, command cars and other vehicles. Even planes which have been manoeuvring from the Russian airfields over Brandenburg, Kotsen and Potsberg are suspiciously old-fashioned—Yaks and PO-2s, which the American pilots call "sewing machines."

This could be more of Stalin's spoofing. Allied intelligence knows he has jet planes, at least one of which equals and possibly surpasses the American P-80. In fact, they know a good deal of what lies behind the facade Russia presents to the West. But right now most of it is top secret.—United Press.



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## 'Money mania' is killing British films

by MILTON SHULMAN

FOR months now I have watched such lovely creatures as Linda Darnell, Moira Shearer, Vivien Leigh, Christine Norden, Paulette Goddard go through Maori risings, commit beautiful suicides, seduce the royalty of Europe, corrupt politicians, fight duels with whips in a series of extravagant epics variously called "Forever Amber," "The Red Shoes," "Idol of Paris," "Green Dolphin Street," "Anna Karenina" or "An Ideal Husband."

But neither the graceful way in which these ladies achieved their separate fates, nor the presence of Technicolor and a cast of thousands, nor budgets ranging from £200,000 of £500,000 nor the shrill cries of the publicity boys, could prevent me from viewing their antics with a curious, cold detachment mingled with an irresistible tendency to yawn, fidget and wonder when it was all finally and mercifully going to end.

### Laughs, Tears

Yet recently I have seen four Continental films—the French films "Le Silence est d'Or" and "L'Idiot" and the Italian films "Shoe Shine" and "Four Steps in the Clouds."

They were photographed in the simplest terms of black and white. They contained no glamorous women like Margaret Lockwood or Linda Turner. They did not rely on Babylonian sets, Technicolor or best-selling novels. They were all made at a cost of well under £100,000.

Yet they made me laugh. They made me cry. They let me look deep into the hearts and minds of people I knew and could understand. They showed me how thrilling and exhilarating the cinema could really be.

### The Secret

Now what is there about these postwar Italian and French films that have made critics everywhere search their Thesauruses for the appropriate laudatory adjectives and why is it that the latest British and American productions have made vitriol and asbestos an essential ingredient of every critic's writing equipment?

Perhaps Roberto Rossellini, the director of the Italian films, Open City and Paisa, has the short, but complete, answer to that question. "My film try to present life—not to represent it," he said.

And a short trip across the Channel would show British film-makers how it is possible to make good films cheaply. For the French would tell them how they made "Le Silence est d'Or" for £80,000, "L'Idiot" and "La Symphonie Pastorale" for £50,000 each. The Italians would do even better than that by showing him how "Open City" was made for £25,000 and "Shoe Shine" and "Four Steps in the Clouds" for £35,000 each. Some recent British films have cost as much as £300,000 each.

Now undoubtedly the French and the Italians also make bad pictures. But not nearly as often and not nearly as bad as the British and the Americans. In fact statistics would show that whereas the Latinas pull off a worthwhile pleasure about once in every four trips our best average seems to be about one in ten, and the Americans' about one in 20.

Yet such dreary Anglo-American statistics are likely to become much more depressing if films continue to be made by men who study

primary conditions before it can be passed through the stolid iron grill which many film producers use for a brain.

Sometimes, but only too rarely, a daring and mature idea manages to bloom for a moment in this desert of box-office sterility. Then we are enthralled with pictures like "The Informer," "It Happened One Night," "Modern Times," "Henry V.," "Hamlet," "Boomerang," "Pygmalion," "Brief Encounter" and "Waterloo Road."

But these bright flames of cinematic genius are soon snuffed out because the commercial powers—that be, either unaware of what has happened or frightened at the prospect of having to do it again, to buy churning out second-rate copies of the original or pretending that nothing new has taken place at all.

Thus year after year the same formula is presented in a sleeker, more opulent and more extravagant manner. It is assumed that by making the same hackneyed plots more stupendous, more colossal and more gigantic than they were before they will somehow become better.

2—Every film must have what is supernaturally known as a star. This means that some well built, young woman is hysterically and blantly publicized as possessing the combined charms of Sarah Bernhardt, Madame Curie and Helen of Troy and is henceforth presented three or four times a year to perform her limited repertoire of histrionics, oiling and cooing in a nurse's uniform, a sash or a bubble bath.

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Within the next four years three million homes are to be built in the villages. The Russians have been told by press and radio of the joys of home life, of owning one's own house, with a little garden front and back.

The complications of private property no longer strike terror into his heart. He is even encouraged to set to and build his own home without waiting for the special building brigades.

The ideal home for the villager is described as a four-room affair with wide windows, a bathroom, with "hygienic fittings" and a veranda.

The new model villages will replace the cluster of log-and-mud hovels of the old days. The clean sweep made by the Nazis of Soviet villages inspired the four-year plan announced recently.

A NEW version of the Marshall plan comes out of the hat.

IN Moscow's best variety theatre a conjurer appears on the stage wearing a mask, which passes for Secretary of State Marshall. He raises his top hat and out flies a white dove with an olive twig in its beak.

It flies round the room and perch on a small table. The magician follows it and places his hat over

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NANCY Stealing the Show



By ERNE BUSHMILLER



# U.S. POLICY TOWARDS CHINA UNCHANGED

## Madame Chiang's Visit Is A Failure

Washington, Dec. 15.—The Under-Secretary of State, Mr. Robert A. Lovett, told a press conference today that there was no change in United States foreign policy towards China. He said that Madame Chiang Kai-shek's visit to the United States has resulted in no change in United States foreign policy towards China and that United States foreign policy as laid down by Congress recognises the National Government of China under Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and has implemented aid to that Government.

As the reporters attempted to draw Mr Lovett out on China, he reiterated emphatically several times in response to various questions that the United States has not changed its foreign policy.

One reporter said that the last statement he remembered on United States foreign policy towards China, called for a broadening of the Nationalist Government to include Communists.

Mr Lovett said that he did not agree with the accuracy of the recollection. He said that he had no information concerning the formation of a coalition government in China except what he had seen in the newspapers.

Asked about the reports of projected changes in the Nationalist Government constitution, Mr Lovett said that he has heard no such reports. He said that the United States has no plans as far as he knows to call the United States Ambassador to Nanking home for consultations.

He said that the Ambassador, Dr Leighton Stuart, considered coming home to make a speech last month but cancelled his plans. Mr Lovett said that he has heard nothing since then.

Mr Lovett said that there were no indications whatever of any programme calling for Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek to seek refuge in the United States should his Government fall.

Mr Lovett's words went Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek were in response to a question about rumours in Nanking that Generalissimo Chiang might flee to America.

Asked if he had any information on Madame Chiang's plans to return home, he said that he had no information.—United Press.

### CLARIFICATION

Washington, Dec. 15.—The Chinese Ambassador, Dr Wellington Koo, today conferred with the Under-Secretary of State, Mr. Robert Lovett, for 25 minutes and afterwards told reporters: "I discussed with Mr Lovett the situation in China and sought clarification and elucidation of the position of the U.S. Government. I found the discussion helpful in that I received a good deal of clarification."

Dr Koo said Mr Paul Hoffman's remarks in Shanghai on Monday were "ouched upon" during his talk with Mr Lovett.

Asked whether there was any significance attached to Dr Hu Shih's visit to Nanking, Dr Koo said political leaders there had been trying to enlist his services in the Government. Dr Hu Shih formerly was Ambassador to the United States.

Dr Koo said it was only natural Government leaders would want to consult Hu Shih to "get his ideas" on the civil situation. To other questions, Dr Koo said:

1. There was no truth in reports that Chiang Kai-shek might visit the United States. Dr Koo said he had direct information from Nanking that the reports were false.

2. His transmittal to Congress of the appeal for help by the Chinese Yuan was "routine."

### SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"You ought to be proud, Mrs. Jones—your daughter will be the most beautiful bride I've seen all year. But she's going to wear a dress, isn't she?"

## Gags At The Metropolitan Opera Opening



## Stanley Closely Watched By Authorities For Eight Years

London, Dec. 15.—Sidney Stanley, the key figure in the Tribunal probing alleged corruption in Government circles, was said today to have been watched constantly since 1940 by officials seeking to enforce his deportation.

An official of the Aliens Office, Ernest George Warner, gave details of deportation order, said to have been made out in 1933 against Stanley and his brother, Marcus Wulkan, now in the United States.

Warner produced the order which he said was made against Semon Koshyzak, alias Rechtand, known as Sid Wulkan and later as Stanley Stanley.

The police had been unable to trace "Sid Wulkan" from 1933 until 1940, when it was no longer possible to deport people to Poland. The deportation order against his brother, Marcus Wulkan, was recently revoked.

### ANONYMOUS LETTERS

Earlier today,—the 22nd day of the hearing, the Minister of Works, Mr. Charles Key, answered accusations made by anonymous letter writers.

The Tribunal Chairman said four letters had come to the Tribunal alleging that a company named Intrade Limited, has received special consideration in materials and licences because Mr Key and other Ministers were friends of a director.

One letter alleged that Captain Gordon Shiner, the director, had boasted to a newspaper reporter that he could obtain any materials he wanted, and had only to speak to a Minister to "cut the red tape."

The Attorney General, Sir Hartley Shawcross, said another communication on the affairs, from a journalist, had been found to be largely inaccurate.

Mr Key agreed that he was a close personal friend of Captain Shiner, but insisted this friendship had never affected any of his decisions as Minister of Works.

### ON FRIENDLY TERMS

Mr Key was shown letters addressed to him by Captain Shiner mentioning Intrude's applications for licences. He said these letters had never been presented to him personally, but had been opened by his department officials and replied to officially.

Captain Shiner told the Tribunal he had been on friendly terms with Mr Key and his family for 20 years. He had once given Mrs. Key a miniature wireless set on her birthday, and had given the children books on their birthdays.

He said a Sunday newspaper report quoted him as saying he could approach Ministers and cut through red tape was a "deliberate lie." He had never sought to exercise any improper influence on Ministers to get licences granted. He believed the anonymous letters sent to the Tribunal had been inspired by personal enemy.

Later, Sir Hartley Shawcross referred to a report from the United States which he had quoted previously to the Tribunal, describing Marcus Wulkan as "an unmitigated scoundrel."

### TOO ILL TO ATTEND

He had attributed it to the Proudfoot Agency but now it turned out the report was based on another but no less reliable source. He had also received papers from the Foreign Office tending to confirm the suggestion made in the report.

The Tribunal heard a written telegram from the football pool promoter, Abe Sherman, who was said to be too ill to attend. Sherman said Stanley had told him Mr John Belcher, Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade, was a particular friend of his and he might be able to help Sherman with his paper allocation.

Later, said the Sherman statement, Abe and his brother, Harry, met Mr. John Belcher. Harry told Mr. Belcher what Stanley had been saying about him—the story had been bribed. Mr. Belcher, with £2,500, had then given him £1,000 and Mrs. Belcher, other gifts of money.

Mr Belcher was amazed at the suggestions and said: "Stanley is a dirty lying little bastard."

Sir Hartley Shawcross announced that the evidence available for the Tribunal had been completed.—Reuter.

## "MYSTERY" WOMAN DISAPPEARS

### Countess D'Andurain

Casablanca, Dec. 15.—Countess Marguerite D'Andurain, the "mystery woman of the Near East"—whose adventures are said to have included a visit to the holy city of Mecca disguised as a Bedouin tribeswoman, was reported today to have disappeared from Tangiers in unexplained circumstances.

Nothing has been heard of the 63-year-old countess since last month when she was reported in Tangiers in her yacht, Djelal, in which she was said to be planning to bring gold from the Belgian Congo for sale in Tangiers.

The countess left her home on the morning of November 5 telling her maid she would return for lunch.

She did not return and had not been seen since.

### POLICE SECRECY

The Agence France Presse reported that the police kept the matter secret in order "not to prejudice their inquiries."

An expert in pearls and precious metals, the blonde French-woman was thought in the two world wars to have contacts with British, French and German secret services.

A friendship with Lawrence of Arabia was spoken of.

Her private life, described as "complicated," has a spectacular background.

One husband, a Prague nobleman, was found killed with 20 dagger wounds in his body.

Another, the Bedouin Sheikh Soleiman—died mysteriously after taking her to Mecca.

A young nephew died in 1946 after being given a poisoned chocolate. A French court acquitted her of charges in connection with his death.—Reuter.

## Reds In Peiping Suburbs

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Adding to the unsettled atmosphere, China Merchants Steam Navigation Company dock employees at Taku demanded assurances of continued employment upon learning that some lighter servicing staffs were paid off.

The air of expectancy was intensified by the sudden departure of four China Merchants ships from Tengku anchorage for Taku Bar, placing them outside the harbour walls.

### CANADIANS EVACUATING

Ottawa, Dec. 15.—It was announced today that arrangements were made to evacuate Canadians from Nanking and Shanghai by air starting on December 17.

The acting External Affairs Minister, Mr. Brooke Claxton, said that two planes capable of carrying 40 passengers each, were chartered by the Government.

The passengers will have to pay their own expenses.

The first flight is scheduled to leave China on December 17 and is expected to arrive in Vancouver on December 19.

The Canadian Ambassador to China, Mr. G. L. Jackson, indicated no decision had been made to leave Canada.

The Canadian Embassy staff stayed in United Press.

Mrs. Betty Henderson (centre), who last year enlivened proceedings at the Metropolitan Opera opening in New York City, by being pictured with her leg on a table, appeared at this year's opening with a hair-do including curls. Here she appears in a gag scene not on the programme with Packy O'Graity (left), identified as her physical trainer, and her escort, John Talbot, Jr.—AP Picture.

## Two Appeals Dismissed

TWO APPEALS AGAINST CONVICTIONS IN THE OCTOBER TRIALS WERE REFUSED THIS MORNING BY AN APPEAL COURT COMPRISING MR JUSTICE REYNOLDS AND MR JUSTICE WICKS.

BOTH THE APPELANTS, NG CHI-LEUNG, ALIAS NGU WAN, ALIAS LI WEN, AND WONG PO-KAN, APPEALED ON THE GROUNDS THAT THEY WERE FALSELY ACCUSED AND WRONGLY CONVICTED.

NG WAS SENTENCED ON OCTOBER 26 BY THE CHIEF JUSTICE, SIR LESLIE GIBSON, TO NINE YEARS AND NINE MONTHS FOR ROBBERY AND DEMANDING MONEY WITH MENACE. THE OFFENCE TOOK PLACE IN BRITISH WATERS ON APRIL 9, WHEN SEVERAL JUNK PEOPLE WERE ROBBED OF RICE. PREVIOUSLY, NG HAD A SENTENCE FOR POSSESSION OF ARMS REDUCED BY THE GOVERNOR TO WHOM HE APPEALED FOR CLERMENCY.

WONG WAS SENTENCED TO 10 YEARS AND 10 MONTHS BY THE CHIEF JUSTICE ON OCTOBER 19 FOR ARMED ROBBERY AND POSSESSION OF ARMS ON JUNE 30, AT 26, MORRISON HILL ROAD. THE VICTIM OF THE ROBBERY WAS MR. V. R. RIBEIRO.

THE APPEAL COURT HELD THAT THERE WAS INSUFFICIENT EVIDENCE IN BOTH CASES WHICH ENTITLED THE JURY TO CONVICT.

## Prince Charles Christened

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WILLIAM, WHO WILL BE SEVEN YEARS OLD NEXT SATURDAY.

PRINCE WILLIAM CLOSED HIS EYES FROM THE GLARE OF FLASH BULBS AS HE WENT THROUGH THE BARRAGE OF PHOTOGRAPHERS.

THE PHOTOGRAPHERS AGREED THAT PRINCE CHARLES WAS THE PERFECT SUBJECT. IN JUST OVER HALF AN HOUR HE WAS PHOTOGRAPHED 16 TIMES. FOR MOST OF THE TIME HE SLEPT PEACEFULLY IN THE ARMS OF PRINCESS ELIZABETH, THE QUEEN'S MARY.

THE KING, WHO WAS ALSO PRESENT, DECLINED A CHAIR OFFERED HIM BY THE PHOTOGRAPHERS. "I PREFER TO STAND," HE SAID. THE QUEEN STAYED FOR A FEW MINUTES WITH THE CAMERAMEN, DISCUSSING PHOTOGRAPHY IN WHICH SHE IS VERY INTERESTED.—REUTER.

## Radio Hongkong

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Board Of Control Steps In

## DICK TURPIN REFUSED EUROPEAN TITLE FIGHT

London, Dec. 15.—Dick Turpin, the British and Empire middle-weight champion, has been refused permission by the British Boxing Board of Control to fight Cyrille Delanoit, of Belgium, for the latter's European title.

Turpin had been matched with Delanoit by a Belgian promoter, the fight to be held in Brussels next month, but Mr George Middleton, Turpin's manager, was informed by the Secretary of the Boxing Board, Mr Charles Donmall, that the fight would not be recognised.

The reason was that the Italian, Tiberio Mitri, who was also a contender, had held Turpin to a draw.

An ultimatum was presented to Mr Middleton by the Belgian promoter, calling for his signature to the contract by noon on Monday, December 13. Otherwise, he said, Mitri would take Turpin's place against Delanoit.

### RETURN BOUT

Efforts are now being made to match Turpin and Mitri in a return bout. They boxed a draw in their final eliminator in London on November 20.

It is to be hoped that the European Boxing Union will follow the British Board's example if the Belgian promoter carries out his stated intention of allowing Mitri to take Turpin's place.

"It is ridiculous for a promoter to think that he can match men in a title fight when one of the contenders has not proved his claim to the contest," said Mr Donmall.

"We shall protect the interests of our boxers at all times, and we expect the European Boxing Union to do likewise."

"If they do not, there may be a fight between Delanoit and Mitri to be a title contest until the eliminator has been decided."—Reuter.

### Woodcock v. Mills

London, Dec. 15.—A final agreement was reached in the early hours of this morning on the terms for the Bruce Woodcock versus Freddie Mills championship fight next summer.

Contracts will be signed today and Woodcock will place at stake his British, British Empire and European Heavyweight titles.

### RECORD

If Mills wins the proposed contest, he will create a record by becoming the holder of seven titles as he holds at present the World, British, British Empire and European light heavyweight titles.

The suggested venues are the White City, Wembley or the Arsenal football ground at Highbury—all in the London area—and the probable date is June 23.

Mills will not fight until that date, which means that his proposed fight with Gus Lesnevich in defense of his world cruiser-weight title will not take place before the end of the summer at the earliest.

Woodcock's only contest before he meets Mills will be against Johnny Ralph, the South African champion in Johannesburg, early in the new year.

Mills is 29 years of age. Woodcock will be 28 next month. They have fought once before, at Harringay, on June 4, 1946, when Woodcock won a hard 12 rounds contest on points.—Reuter.

### CONTRACTS SIGNED

Contracts for the Woodcock-Mills fight were signed at Jack Solomon's office soon after midday today.

Tom Hurst and Ted Broadribb, the respective managers, signed on behalf of Woodcock and Mills respectively. Solomons anticipated that the gate may reach £100,000. It is the first time that he has had contracts with either of the two boxers, although he has previously bought out his bills when, however, verbal promises were given and accepted.—Reuter.

### Doucens Outpoints Manuel Ortiz

Los Angeles, Dec. 15.—Maxie (Little Duke) Doucens, New Orleans Filipino, drilled out a decision over world bantamweight champion Manuel Ortiz in a 10-round non-title fight yesterday.

It was Doucens' 52nd straight win but this was his first over really top-flight opposition. Doucens weighed 129½ pounds, Ortiz 120½.

The sharpshooting Filipino kept a steady left in the El Centro, Calif., veteran's face, preventing him from getting set, but the bout was action filled and kept the gallery in a constant up roar. There were no knockdowns.—Associated Press.

### Area Championship

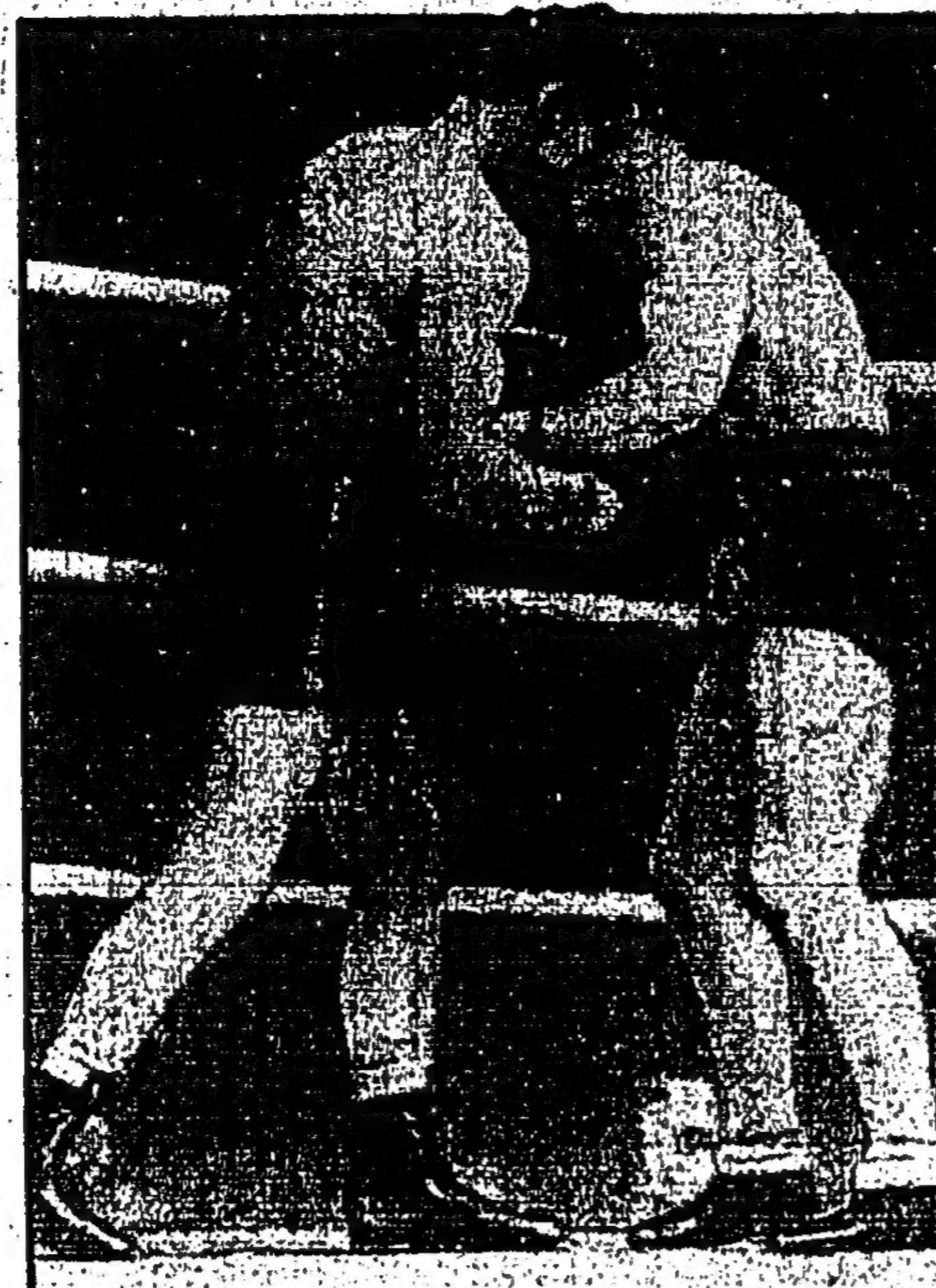
London, Dec. 15.—Terry Allen, the Wellington flyweight, will defend his Southern Area championship in a return fight with Dickie O'Sullivan of Finsbury Park at the Royal Albert Hall on January 24.

Allen won the title when he beat O'Sullivan on a disqualification.—Reuter.

### Trophy For Boxer

New York, Dec. 14.—The Boxing Writers Association today recognised Ike Williams, lightweight champion, as the man who contributed most to sport during 1948, as it unanimously voted him for the annual Edward J. Neill Memorial trophy.—United Press.

## END OF THE FIGHT



Close-up of the punch which ended the Leo Savold-Bruce Woodcock fight at Harringay Arena. The picture shows clearly that the blow landed well below the belt.

Photo by Michael Goodman Productions.

### AS BETTING ON THE RACES

## It's As Risky Just Raising A Horse

By RAY AYRES

Raising race horses can be as risky as betting on them, and each time a new stallion makes his first season at stud, breeders are faced with a dilemma.

Despite an impressive racing record, a young stallion must prove his merit all over again in a new career.

Before he does, his services usually are available and for a modest fee.

After he does, it's almost impossible to send mares to him and it costs the lucky ones who do about three times as much.

### FIRST SEASON

Among the stallions making their first seasons at Stud in the United States in 1949 will be Mighty Story, a son of Mahmoud, and a winner of \$140,405; Preoccupy, a brother to Occupation and Occupy, who specialised in winning futurities; the Doge, a son of Bull Dog; and For Liberty, a son of Bull Lea.

Each will stand for \$500 while Richard N. Ryan's Argentinian who won \$270,575, starts off at \$750.

Reply Paid, a son of Questionnaire, sire of Requested, will stand for \$300.

### CONTRACTED FOR

On the other hand, no services will be sold on Rico Monte who also will make his first season in Stud next year.

All his services have been contracted for privately or reserved by his owner, Arnold Hanger.

The illustrious Bull Lea, whose progeny have won well over a million dollars this year, was advertised for a modest \$750 when he entered Stud in 1948.

The team to do duty is R. E. Lee (capt.), N. Hart Baker, A. Zimmerman, J. Barrow, F. R. Zimmerman, C. J. Smith, J. P. Hewitt, E. M. L. Soures, W. A. Nicholas, W. H. Cowie and F. E. Lawrence, Umpire, C. J. Merritt, scorer, J. P. Robinson.

### TOKEN ANNOUNCEMENT

This is merely a token announcement for his book is full for 1949 and probably for several years after that.

Those who decided to take a chance on Requested when he entered Stud in 1942, got in on the ground floor of a bargain.

His fee was only \$300 the first year but for 1948 it was \$1,000 and when advertised for 1949 had been raised to \$2,500 with hundreds of breeders who are willing to pay that or more but who are unable to book a mare to him.

### RACING AGE

Requested has only two crops to reach racing age but there have been stakes winners in each of them.

This year his sons and daughters have won over \$400,000 and his stakes winners this year include Miss Request, the leading three-year-old filly, My Request, one of the better three-year-old colts, Model Cadet, Compliance and Prince Quest.

Breeders who utilised Requested's services now have a very negotiable product in the yearlings romping over their pastures.

### BIG WINNERS

Three yearlings brought a total of \$40,000 at Saratoga this summer where Requested was sold for \$1,300 in 1940 and at the sales next year Requested yearlings will be in greater demand.

Had Requested failed as a sire, those who hesitated to use him

## SPORTS ITEMS FROM LONDON

## HOCKEY ASSOCIATION NOW CONTROLS 1,000 CLUBS

Field hockey has become an increasingly popular sport in England, and the number of clubs in the Hockey Association now number about 1,000.

For competitive purposes, England is organised on a geographical basis into five Regions—North, South, East, West and Midlands—while Combined Services rank as a sixth.

The traditional opening of the hockey season took place on the first Saturday in October, and by 1949, clubs will have settled down to play through a carefully prepared fixture list.

Early in 1949 most of the Regions will have held their trial matches with the best players drawn from clubs in their area.

On six successive Saturdays in January-February the following matches will take place: South v. North at Worthing, Sussex (January 15); West v. Combined Services at Swindon, Wiltshire (January 22); North v. East at Sheffield, Yorkshire (January 29); Midland v. West at Evesham, Worcestershire (February 5).

Two more matches will take place at Norwich, Norfolk: East v. South (February 12) and Combined Services v. Midlands (February 19).

From these teams, players will be chosen for the Hockey Association trials to be held on February 26 and March 5, 1949. This interesting series of matches gives those who select the hockey teams for future international games an excellent opportunity for picking out the best players.

One week after the final trials, England will play Scotland at Scarborough, Yorkshire, on March 12, while on March 20 England meets Wales at Abergavenny, and later the English team will travel to Dublin to play the Irish on April 9.

United Kingdom football coaches and referees are being sought by

### HOCKEY MEETING

## Ten Teams In

### Internationals

It was disclosed at a meeting of the Hongkong Hockey Association that an interport match between Macao and Hongkong had been arranged and would take place at the end of January in Macao.

A selection committee was appointed, consisting of Messrs G. T. Palmer, A. E. P. Guest, Yiron and Captain Payne.

No definite date was fixed for the international tournament, but representatives of various nations were elected at the meeting.

There will be 10 teams—England, Portugal, India, China, Netherlands, Pakistan, Ireland, Scotland, Wales and Malaya.

The following were elected to represent the various teams: Capt. Payne (England); Mr A. M. Xavier (Portugal); Mr J. S. Grewal (India); Mr Kano (Japan); Mr G. T. Palmer (Wales); Mr D. J. Steyn-Parke (Netherlands); Mr Ponniah (Malaya).

It was requested that all those interested in participating in the international tournament should get in touch with Mr A. E. P. Guest, Hon. Secretary, as early as possible.

### Harrier Road Race

Among the 48 entrants for the international Harrier Road Race, which will be held on New Year's Day, are four Europeans.

The closing date of entries has been extended from yesterday to December 20, a resolution to this effect being passed at a committee meeting held on Tuesday evening.

The Champion in 1948, Chan Chi-wai, is competing this year. His record for 7½ miles is 40 min. 4 sec.

The Road Race is organised by the Chinese YMCA and the China Gymnastic Association.

### British Records Approved

London, Dec. 15.—The British Amateur Athletic Board has approved the following as British records achieved at Wembley during the Olympic Games:

Throwing the discus: A. Consolini, Italy, 173 feet 2 inches (August 2).

Throwing the hammer: I. Nemeth, of Hungary, 103 feet 11½ inches (on July 31).—Reuter.

### KOREANS COMING

A Korean football team will visit the Colony on January 8 and 9, it was learned yesterday, while an interport match against Saigon will be played here on January 20.

There is no news yet of the arrival here of the Hungarian soccer team.

### Rugger Results

London, Dec. 15.—Southern Counties beat Surrey in the Rugby Union County Championship today. In a friendly match the Aldershot Services beat the United Services 10-0.

Through bad light, extra time was not possible. In the first game at Bradford.—Reuter.



## Badminton League

Last night's results in the Men's "B" Division of the Badminton League were rather one-sided. Kowloon Tong "A" is leading in Section I and Chinese YMCA in Section II.

Results were:

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
K. Tong "A"	4	3	1	25	11	6
St. Teresa's "A"	3	2	1	18	8	4
VRC "B"	1	1	0	10	5	2
St. John's "B"	0	0	0	0	0	0
RAF	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Teresa's "B"	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chung Wah	0	0	0	0	0	0

To be played tonight.

### HOW THEY STAND

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Chinese YMCA	4	4	0	34	2	8
Recreio	4	3	1	23	13	6
K. Tong "A"	4	3	1	23	13	6
Chung Wah	3	1	2	13	14	2
St. Teresa's "B"	3	1	2	13	14	



# 5-POINT US DEFENCE PLAN

## SCIENTISTS TO ASSIST

Washington, Dec. 15.—The Defence Secretary, Mr James Forrestal, today unveiled a five-point programme to bolster national defence, amid hints that new atomic bomb tests were planned at the supersecret Eniwetok atoll proving grounds.

Mr Forrestal also disclosed that General Eisenhower, former Chief of Staff and now President of Columbia University, had served as his personal adviser on general matters concerning military establishments.

Summing up recent and proposed defence moves, Mr Forrestal told a news conference that he had:

1. Appointed a group of top scientists and military leaders to study all types of weapons, including the atomic bomb, and to recommend which would be best in the event of war.

### ONE COMMAND

2. Ordered all military sea transport, including 200 Army vessels, consolidated into one force under Navy command.

2. Drawn up plans to place all military shipments by land under control of the Army.

4. Arranged for joint use by the Army, Navy and Air Force of recruiting facilities and services in many places across the country.

5. Recommended to President Truman federalisation of the Air National Guard and consolidation with the Air Force Reserve.

The prospect of new A-bomb tests in the Western Pacific was raised by the Atomic Energy Commission which said that the area surrounding Eniwetok would continue to be a "danger area" until further notice.

### CLOSED TO OUTSIDERS

Eniwetok atoll and lagoon are permanently closed to outsiders. An area roughly 200 miles square was declared a danger area for the calendar year 1948 and all unauthorised persons, foreign or American, warned to keep out. Today's order extends the ban indefinitely.

Spokesmen for the agency would not say that new bomb tests would be held, but the order reminded that Eniwetok was the "site of the Commission's proving grounds for routine experiments and tests of atomic weapons."

Three "improved" bombs were tested there last spring. Little information was released, but scientists here have voiced the belief that the new weapons, because of more efficient design, get more blast power out of a given amount of atomic explosive than the 1945 models dropped on Japan.

Mr Forrestal said that, in announcing the formation of a scientist-military group on wartime weapons, he considered the problem a "matter of high importance". He said the group, which would act in an advisory capacity, was chosen carefully so that neither the military nor the scientists would have a stronger voice in the selection of weapons.—United Press.

## U.S. Tobacco For Germans

Bremen, Dec. 15.—A cargo of 6,000 barrels of American tobacco first Marshall Plan shipment to reach Germany, arrived at Bremen today in the American freighter Flying Independence.

Mr Norman H. Collisson, head of the Economic Co-operation Administration Mission to Germany, said that this was the first shipment of over \$10 million worth of tobacco to be imported into Western Germany under contracts already signed or being negotiated.

He added that the United States would provide the bulk of the shipments, but some tobacco would come from Greece and Turkey.—Reuter.



## Fire Follows Blast

## POCKET CARTOON



## Plane Priority Query

London, Dec. 15.—The British Government was asked in the House of Commons today why priority for the West Jet propeller fighters was given to India over other Commonwealth countries and the countries of Western Europe.

The Minister of Defence, Mr Albert Alexander, replied that the Indian Government had recently bought three Vampire aircraft for trial purposes.

These aircraft had not been supplied at the expense of the requirements of other members of the Commonwealth or of Western European nations.—Reuter.

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### DEATH

ALLEN—Jeanne Rosalind, 15-months-old daughter of Mr and Mrs C. G. Allen, died at French Hospital on December 18.

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## New Theory On The "Missing Link"

### MAY NEVER HAVE EXISTED

Berkeley, California, Dec. 15.—The famous "missing link" of man's prehistoric climb towards civilisation may be missing simply because it never existed.

Dr Richard Goldschmidt of the University of California, unveiling new evidence to support his radical theory of evolution, says the classic Darwin theory may be all wrong.

He thinks modern man may have descended from a "monster" instead of slowly evolving by a succession of minor changes.

## U.S. Note On Indonesia

The Hague, Dec. 15.—Dutch newspapers said on Wednesday that the Netherlands Government has received a new note from the United States on the Indonesia crisis.

The note made clear that the U.S. State Department believes it is possible for the Dutch Government to continue negotiations with the Indonesian Republic through the Good Offices Commission of the United Nations in Batavia, the newspaper said.

There was no confirmation at the U.S. Embassy. The Dutch cabinet discussed for the third straight day its next step in Indonesia but made no announcement.

On Saturday the Dutch said they would no longer negotiate with the Indonesian Republic. The Dutch said they would issue a decree for formal establishment of an Interim Government in Indonesia without the Indonesian Republic.

On Tuesday the Dutch received a note from Premier Mohamed Hatta of the Indonesian Republic suggesting talks be resumed. Mr Hatta was said to have expressed the Republican willingness to recognise the Dutch sovereignty in the meantime.

This development was believed to have foreshadowed issuance of the decree on forming the Interim Government—the forerunner to a United States of Indonesia with equal representation in the Dutch Empire.

On Wednesday the Dutch said they would resume negotiations.

**MORE PAY FOR WOMEN IN FORCES**

London, Dec. 15.—Women in the British armed forces are to receive an increase in pay totalling £1,000,000.

The Minister of Defence, Mr A. V. Alexander, told Parliament today that in future they will get about three-quarters of the rate of pay for men, instead of about two-thirds as at present.—Reuter.

### World Meeting Of Pacifists

London, Dec. 15.—Arrangements are "well in hand" for a world meeting of pacifists at Shantiniketan, near Calcutta, next December.

Mr Royce Alexander, chief adviser to the Quaker Movement in New Delhi, said here tonight:

"But our work is only beginning," he added.—United Press.

### MORE INSURGENTS MOPPED UP

Rangoon, Dec. 15.—Government troops today killed 30 insurgents in mopping-up operations in the Pegu District, 40 miles north of Rangoon, fought a military communiqué stated.

Seven rebels were killed and several others injured when Government forces dispersed a insurgent band in "Nay Pyi" in the Pegu Division. The communiqué stated.

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### PLANNING TO PROTECT FACTORIES

### Shanghai Workers To Co-operate

Shanghai, Dec. 16.—A number of Shanghai's small factory owners are quietly working on a plan to provide protection for plant and equipment against mob action in the event of possible breakdown of local law enforcement.

Lacking the resources of the larger firms some of who are moving to South China, these small factory owners are said to be approaching their shop personnel with a plan to create factory defence groups for round-the-clock guard duty in the plants should disorders occur.

For their part the workers are expected to respond favourably, since their future livelihood depends upon machinery and equipment being kept intact and they possess neither the inclination nor means to evict. It could not be learned what measures, if any, were being taken to equip these plant guards with weapons of defence. But whether armed or not, it is felt that their presence in the plants would enable them to turn away would-be vandals by pointing out that their "rice bowls" would be broken if machinery was damaged or removed.

### NOT PULLING OUT

The factory owners are described as representing many of the small manufacturers who dismantled their plants and shipped them to Chungking and other points in the interior during the early days of the Japanese invasion. In the face of the possible Communist takeover they are unable and unwilling to pull out of Shanghai and are confident that if their factory guard plan can be worked out they stand a better than even chance of coming through unscathed.

The worker-guard plan is thought to be a direct outgrowth of measures adopted in transporting rice and flour during the period of critical food shortage in early November. At that time, many firms purchased rice for their staffs and staff members willingly rode the trucks to prevent hijacking by roving groups of hungry citizenry. These staff-guards were provided with credentials bearing the firms' chop and certifying that the foodstuffs were being purchased for staff consumption and not for blackmarket resale. These measures were reported to have been highly successful.

The factory owners' plan would also include stockpiling of limited quantities of rice and other foodstuffs to carry their workers through the period of anticipated difficulty.—Associated Press.

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